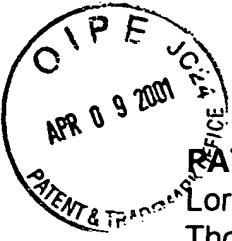


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The Applicants, through their attorney, respectfully petition the Commissioner to change the first named inventor in the above-captioned patent application from "Lorenzo Alvisi" to --Thomas C. Bressoud--. Accordingly, the Applicants further request that the Attorney Docket No. be changed from "Alvisi 1-1-1-1" to --Bressoud 1-1-1-1--.

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